

Title of the Bill read and agreed to.

Mr. Merriman and Mr. O'Neill deputed to present the Bill to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. Merriman the Powers of Attorney Bill read a third time and *passed*.

Title of the Bill read and agreed to.

Mr. Merriman and Mr. Picard deputed to present the Bill to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. Travers the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole in order to re-commit the Estimates.

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

A Message from His Excellency the Officer administering the Government was announced, His Excellency's Private Secretary was introduced, and presented the following Messages which were read by Mr. Speaker.

MESSAGE No. 25.

The Officer administering the Government forwards to the House of Representatives, for the consideration of the House, the enclosed "Supplementary Estimates."

R. H. WYNYARD.

Government House,
Auckland, 13th September, 1854.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The Officer Administering the Government has to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day given his assent in Her Majesty's name to the following Bills, presented to him by the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council, viz.:—

An Act for bringing into operation within the Colony certain Acts of the Imperial Parliament.

An Act for the Naturalization of certain Persons in the Colony of New Zealand.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Dower.

An Act to make further provision for the administration of the Nelson Trust Funds.

An Act for amending an Ordinance passed by the Governor and Legislative Council of New Zealand, for regulating the Sale of Fermented and Spirituous Liquors.

R. H. WYNYARD,

Officer Administering the Government.

Government House,
Auckland, 14th September, 1854.

MESSAGE No. 27.

The Officer Administering the Government has to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day given his assent in Her Majesty's name to the following Bills presented to him by the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives, viz.:—

An Act for regulating the disposal of the Waste Lands of the Crown in New Zealand.

An Act for regulating the management of certain Lands reserved for Public purposes in the several Provinces of New Zealand.

An Act to enable the Barristers and the Solicitors of the Supreme Court to act as General Law Practitioners.

R. H. WYNYARD,

Officer Administering the Government.

Government House,
Auckland, 14th September, 1854.

MESSAGE No. 28.

The Officer Administering the Government, transmits to the House of Representatives a copy of a Letter from the Colonial Treasurer, representing the necessity of his being allowed a Clerk in his Department; and which His Excellency recommends to the favourable consideration of the House.

R. H. WYNYARD.

Government House,
Auckland, 14th September, 1854.