# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1856.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; Mr. Speaker and twenty-nine members being present; Mr. Speaker read prayers and took the chair.
- 2. Inter-Provincial Communication: -On motion of Mr. Elliott, Chairman of the Committee on inter-provincial communication, authority was given to that Committee to call for witnesses and papers.
- 3. Messages :- The following Messages from his Excellency the Governor received and read :-
  - (1.) Standing Orders.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,

Message No. 20.

Governor. The Governor begs to communicate to the House of Representatives his assent to the Standing Orders passed by the House during the present Session, and enclosed in a letter addressed on the 16th May, 1856, by the honorable the Speaker to the Governor. Government House,

Auckland, 17th May, 1856.

(2.) Steam Communication.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Governor.

Message No. 21.

The Governor transmits to the House of Representatives the accompanying copy of a letter dated 16th April, 1856, from the Colonial Secretary of New South Wales enclosing copy of a correspondence between the Government of New South Wales and Victoria, respecting the re-establishment of steam communication between England and the Australian Colonies.

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4. Adjournment: -On motion of Mr. Carleton, the House adjourned at one o'clock until Tuesday next at noon.

### NOTICES OF MOTION.

### Tuesday, May 20, 1856.

- 1. Mr. Brodie to move, as a resolution, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that Auckland should continue to be the seat of Government.
- 2. Mr. RICHMOND to move, That a respectful address be presented to his Excellency requesting his Excellency to inform this House of any suggestions which may have been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting the desirability of a revision of the Rules of the Supreme Court, regulating the admission of Practitioners in that Court.

CHARLES CLIFFORD, Speaker.