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PROVINCE OF NEW ULSTER.

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By His Excellency's Command,

ANDREW SINCLAIR, Colonial Secretary.

VOL. II.

AUCKLAND, FRIDAY, FEB. 16, 1849.

No. 4.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Major-General,
GEORGE DEAN PITT,
Knight of the Royal Hanoverian
Guelphic Order, Lieutenant-
Governor of the Province of
New Ulster, &c., &c., &c.

I, THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the Province of New Ulster, do hereby proclaim that at eleven o'clock, on THURSDAY, the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, the Colonial Treasurer will put up to Auction, at Auckland, the undermentioned allotments of land, hereby declared to be within the limits of settlement.

Immediate payment in cash, to be an indispensable condition of sale.

TOWN OF AUCKLAND,

Upset price, £30 per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 19, containing 0a. Or. 38p.

Upset price, £58 2s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 20, contng. 0a. 2r. 13p.

Upset price, £40 12s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 21, contng. 0a. 1r. 25p.

Upset price, £31 5s. 0d. per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 22, contng. 0a. 1r. 10p.

Upset price, £26 5s. 0d. per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 23, contng. 0a. 1r. 2p.

Upset price, £20 12s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 25, lot 24, contng. 0a. Or. 33p.

Upset price, £55 per lot,

Section No. 22, lot 8, containing 0a. 1r. 4p.

" " 9, " 0a. 1r. 4p.

" " 10, " 0a. 1r. 4p.

" " 11, " 0a. 1r. 4p.

Upset price, £15 12s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 32, lot 1, containing 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 2, " 0a. Or. 10p.

Upset price, £12 10s. per lot,

Section No. 32, lot 3, containing 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 4, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 5, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 6, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 7, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 8, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 9, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 10, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 11, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 12, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 13, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 14, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 15, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 16, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 17, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 18, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 19, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 20, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 21, " 0a. Or. 10p.

" " 22, " 0a. Or. 10p.

Upset price, £15 12s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 32, lot 23, contng. 0a. Or. 10p.

Upset price, £12 10s. per lot,

Section No. 32, lot 24, contng. 0a. Or. 8p.

Upset price, £10 2s. 6d. per lot,

Section No. 32, lot 25, containing 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 26, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 27, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 28, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 29, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 30, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 31, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 32, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 33, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 34, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 35, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 36, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 37, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 38, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 39, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 40, " 0a. Or. 9p.

" " 41, " 0a. Or. 9p.

Upset price, £14 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 42, contng. Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 43, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 Upset price, £10 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 44, containing Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 45, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 46, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 47, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 48, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 49, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 50, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 51, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 52, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 53, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 54, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 55, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 56, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 57, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 58, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 " " 59, " Oa. Or. 9p.
 Upset price, £17 3s. 9d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 60, contng. Oa. Or. 11p.
 Upset price, £32 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 61, contng. Oa. Or. 29p.
 Upset price, £21 7s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 62, contng. Oa. Or. 19p.
 Upset price, £24 15s. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 63, contng. Oa. Or. 22p.
 Upset price, £28 2s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 64, contng. Oa. Or. 25p.
 Upset price, £31 10s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 65, contng. Oa. Or. 28p.
 Upset price, £34 17s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 66, contng. Oa. Or. 31p.
 Upset price, £38 5s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 67, contng. Oa. Or. 34p.
 Upset price, £41 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 68, contng. Oa. Or. 37p.
 Upset price, £39 7s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 69, contng. Oa. Or. 35p.
 Upset price, £29 5s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 70, contng. Oa. Or. 26p.
 Upset price, £41 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 71, contng. Oa. Or. 37p.
 " " 72, " Oa. Or. 37p.
 " " 73, " Oa. Or. 37p.
 " " 74, " Oa. Or. 37p.
 Upset price, £34 17s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 75, contng. Oa. Or. 31p.
 Upset price, £31 10s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 32, lot 76, contng. Oa. Or. 28p.
 Upset price, £22 10s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 1, containing Oa. Or. 20p.
 Upset price, £15 15s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 23, lot 2, containing Oa. Or. 14p.
 Upset price, £9 0s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 38, lot 3, containing Oa. Or. 8p.
 Upset price, £15 15s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 4, containing Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 5, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 6, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 7, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 8, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 9, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 10, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 11, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 12, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 13, " 3a. Or. 14p.
 Upset price, £20 5s. 0d. per lot,

Section No. 33, lot 14, contng. Oa. Or. 18p.
 Upset price, £25 17s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 15, contng. Oa. Or. 23p.
 Upset price, £14 12s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 16, contng. Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 17, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 18, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 18, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 19, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 20, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 21, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 22, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 23, " Oa. Or. 13p.
 " " 24, " Oa. Or. 13p.

Upset price, £25 17s. 6d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 25, contng. Oa. Or. 23p.
 Upset price, £27 0s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 26, contng. Oa. Or. 24p.
 Upset price, £22 10s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 27, contng. Oa. Or. 20p.
 Upset price, £15 15s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 28, contng. Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 29, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 30, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 31, " Oa. Or. 14p.
 " " 32, " Oa. Or. 14p.

Upset price, £13 10s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 33, contng. Oa. Or. 12p.
 Upset price, £15 15s. 0d. per lot,
 Section No. 33, lot 34, contng. Oa. Or. 14p.

SUBURBAN.

Section.	Lot.	A.	R.	P.	Upset price.
3	37	3	0	0	£50 0 0 per lot
3	38	3	0	0	£50 0 0 do.
3	13	5	0	7	£126 1 10 do.
3	14	4	0	12	£101 17 6 do.
3	15	2	0	6	£50 18 9 do.
3	17	1	3	11	£45 9 4 do.
95	4	2	1	20	£118 15 0 do.
95	5	2	2	15	£129 13 9 do.
95	6	2	2	32	£135 0 0 do.
95	7	2	2	36	£136 5 0 do.
9	18	31	2	0	£63 0 0 do.
4	9	5	2	37	£85 19 4 do.
4	10	5	3	9	£87 1 10 do.
4	11	5	2	33	£85 11 10 do.
4	12	4	3	2	£71 8 9 do.
4	14	6	1	3	£94 0 7 do.
4	15	5	1	28	£81 7 6 do.
4	16	5	1	37	£82 4 4 do.
4	18	7	1	30	£111 6 3 do.
4	19	6	3	37	£104 14 4 do.
1	91	2	3	24	£43 10 0 do.
1	92	4	0	8	£60 15 0 do.
1	93	4	1	7	£64 8 5 do.
1	94	5	1	8	£79 10 0 do.
11	22a	6	0	20	£61 5 0 do.
12	5	44	1	7	£221 9 4 do.

COUNTRY.

Parish.	Lot.	A.	R.	P.	Upset price.
At the head of the Wai-temata river	10	40	0	0	£40 per lot.
Pakuranga	57	350	0	0	£350 per lot.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Province of New Ulster, at Auckland, in the Province

(L. S.)

aforesaid, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

GEO. D. PITT,
Lieutenant-Governor.

By His Excellency's command,
ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary,
God save the Queen!

SALE OF CROWN LANDS.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 16th February, 1849.

HIS Excellency the GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF directs it to be notified that the under-mentioned Allotments, advertised for sale by Public Auction on the 1st proximo, by Proclamation, dated the 28th of November, 1848, will be withdrawn from sale by the Colonial Treasurer:—

TOWN OF AUCKLAND.

Section No. 32—Allotments Nos. 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, and 76.

By His Excellency's command,
For the Colonial Secretary,
J. COATES.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency, SIR GEORGE GREY, K. C. B., Governor-in-Chief in and over the Islands of New Zealand, and Governor of the Provinces of New Ulster and New Munster, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS the undermentioned Ordinance, enacted by the Lieutenant Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, was passed in the tenth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, viz.:

No. 16. "An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Resident Magistrates' Courts, and to make special provision for the administration of Justice in certain cases." Session 7.

Which Ordinance having been by the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, laid before the Queen, Her Majesty has been pleased to confirm and allow the same.

Now, therefore, I the Governor in Chief of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and make known to all whom it may concern, that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to confirm and allow the before mentioned Ordinance.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand, at
(L.S.) Government house at Auckland, in the Province of New Ulster, this fifth day of February,

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

G. GREY,
Governor-in-Chief.

By His Excellency's command,
C. A. DILLON,
Civil Secretary.

God Save the Queen!

TENDERS FOR BUILDING A CULVERT.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1849.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until noon of Wednesday, the 21st inst., from persons desirous of building a Culvert across the Papakura Road, near Lot 1 of Section 12.

Levels, Sections, and Specifications of the work required can be seen on application to the Superintendent of Roads, at the office of the Surveyor-General.

For the Colonial Secretary,
J. COATES.

Commissioner of Crown Lands' Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1849.

THE persons named below having applied for Depasturing Licenses within the Hundred of Auckland, within the specified time, and having taken out the same since the publication of the list of holders of Depasturing Licenses within that Hundred, I hereby declare their names to be added to and comprised within such list.

Owen and Maxwell, Clement Partridge, James Dilworth, and William Harkins.

W. GISBORNE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Commissioner of Crown Lands' Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1849.

PURSUANT to the 5th clause of the Squatting Regulations, dated 2nd November, 1848, I give notice that W. Trusted, of Hokianga, is chargeable with Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence (13s. 4d.), as Assessment upon Stock depastured by him upon Waste Lands of the Crown, and that he will be required to pay such amount into the Treasury on or before Tuesday, the first day of March next.

W. GISBORNE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Commissioner of Crown Lands' Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1849.

IN conformity with the Regulations relating to the common of Pasturage within the limits of a Hundred, I hereby notify that the

following persons have taken out Depasturing Licences for the Hundred of Panmure.

HUNDRED OF PANMURE.

NAMES.	NAMES.
Wm. Williams	Michael Ford
Patrick Anderson	Arthur Coyle
John Gray	Martin Devanny
Robert Menzies	Wm. Gorby
Robert Andrews	Richard Kenney
Joseph Brennan	Peter Malone
Patrick Quinlan	Lawrence M'Manus
James Brown	John Walsh
Thomas Carline	Joseph Robinson
Michael Gill	Archibald Wallace
James Jones	Robert Graham
Robert Long	James M'Donald
Thomas Masterton	David White
Andrew Smith	John Hogan
Qwen Wynne Gray	James Taylor
John Kerr	Anthony Coyle
Peter Ferguson	Michael Fahy
James Lockwood	James Holt
Charles Knox	Peter Kelly
His Lordship the Bishop	James Mears
James Cleary	Patrick Murphy
	Charles Durbridge

W. GISBORNE,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Commissioner of Crown Lands' Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1849.

WITH reference to the preceding Notice of this date, publishing the names of persons to whom Depasturing Licenses have been issued within the Hundred of Panmure, I hereby call a Meeting of such holders of Depasturing Licenses, to be held at the village of Panmure, on Saturday, the 24th of February, at 2 p.m., for the purpose of electing from among themselves three Wardens within the said Hundred.

The duties of the Wardens and the rights of voters are detailed in the notice from this office, dated 7th February, 1849.

W. GISBORNE,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Custom House, Auckland,
February 14th, 1849.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the under-mentioned condemned Goods will be Sold by Public Auction, either for Home consumption or Exportation, at Montefiore's Bonded Warehouse, on Tuesday, the 20th instant, at 12 o'clock, noon.

12 BARRELS GIN,
6 " BRANDY.

W. YOUNG,
Collector.

SUPREME COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Sitting of the Supreme Court for the despatch of Criminal business, will be holden at the Court House, Auckland, on Thursday, the 1st day of

March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that a Sitting for the despatch of Civil business will be holden at the Court House on Wednesday, the 7th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which times and place all persons under recognizance to appear as Prosecutors, Defendants, or Witnesses, are required to give their attendance.

Thos. OUTHWAITE,
Registrar.

Supreme Court Office,
Auckland, 8th Feb., 1849.

Resident Magistrate's Court,
Howick, February 14th, 1848.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Justices of the Peace for the town and district of Howick will be holden at the Resident Magistrate's Court, at Howick, on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving applications for the Transfer of Publicans' Licenses.

JAMES WHITE,
Clerk to the Magistrates.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, February 15th, 1849.

HIS Excellency the GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF has been pleased to direct that the following extract from the Journal of Proceedings of the Legislative Council of the Province of New Munster be re-published in this Gazette for general information.

By His Excellency's command,
For the Colonial Secretary,
J. COATES.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1848.

Present—

His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief.
His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,
and all the members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.
The minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

The Governor-in-Chief moved the order of the day for the consideration in Council of a series of standing orders.

The nine first rules considered and adopted, when

Mr. BELL moved the order of the day according to notice,

"That this Council do address his Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, requesting that his Excellency will be pleased to afford such further information to the Council on the subject of the introduction hereafter of a Representative form of Government into this province, as will put the Council fully in possession of His Excellency's views, and of the plan which it is his Excellency's intention to lay before her Majesty's Government."

Motion seconded by Mr. Moore.

On the motion of Mr. Bell the following Address was presented to the Governor-in-Chief:—

To His Excellency SIR GEORGE GREY, K.C.B.,
&c., &c.

SIR,—The Legislative Council of the Pro-

vince of New Munster, while they acknowledge the clear and comprehensive character of the speech with which your Excellency opened the present session, desires nevertheless to address your Excellency requesting that you will be pleased to afford such further information to the Council on the subject of the introduction of a Representative form of Government into this Province, as may put them fully in possession of your Excellency's views, and of the plan which it is your intention to submit to her Majesty's Government.

Had not Parliament conferred a Constitution upon the colony, and had that Constitution not been subsequently suspended at your Excellency's sole and urgent instance, the Council might perhaps have been satisfied with the general allusion to your intentions on this point contained in your Excellency's address on the opening of the Council. But having regard to all that has passed in Parliament and elsewhere on the subject of introducing Representative institutions into the whole colony, and especially to the probable large increase of the population of this province at an early period by the foundation of important settlements, the Council would submit to your Excellency, that in their opinion the Government would best consult the interests and feelings of the whole community, and most efficiently conduce to extensive immigration into the colony, by at once declaring as distinctly as possible in detail both the character and composition of the Representative Government, which your Excellency stated in general terms you should recommend for adoption by her Majesty's Government, and also whether your Excellency has it in contemplation to take any steps in conjunction with the Executive Council to secure that adoption at the earliest possible period.

The Council are unwilling to trouble your Excellency here with an enumeration of all the points on which they wish for information. But they submit that the questions which they more especially hope to receive an assurance upon are—First, the period within which the representative form of Government which your Excellency proposes shall certainly be introduced into this province. Secondly, the principle upon which you propose that the elective franchise shall be based. And, thirdly, the power and constitution of such representative assemblies as will be created.

Relying, indeed, with confidence on your Excellency's consenting to afford the detailed information which they ask, the Council would respectfully request you to acquaint them, at the earliest opportunity, with the purport of the recommendations which your Excellency may have addressed to her Majesty's Government on the subject.

Council Chamber, Wellington,
December 22, 1848.

Address read and received.

The Council resumed the consideration of the standing orders, and adopted the rules, from ten to thirty-three inclusive.

Further consideration postponed.

The Council adjourned at half-past four o'clock until three o'clock on Saturday, the 23rd instant.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1848.

Present—

His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and all the members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

The following Reply of his Excellency the Governor-in-Chief to the Address of the Legislative Council of New Munster, presented on Friday, the 22nd instant, was then delivered:—

I feel much pleasure in complying with the wishes of the Legislative Council, as expressed in their address of the 22nd instant, by informing them,

1. That I have reported it to her Majesty's Government, as my opinion, that a complete system of representative government of the form after-mentioned, may with safety be introduced into the whole of the New Zealand Islands, at the date when the act suspending the Constitution recently conferred upon these Islands expires.

2. That I have recommended that, at that date, a general assembly should be constituted for the whole Islands, consisting of a legislative council composed of persons summoned thereto by her Majesty; and of an assembly to be composed of representatives, returned by the several provinces into which New Zealand may be divided, in such proportions as the European population of each province may bear to the European population of the whole Islands, in so nearly as these several amounts of population can be ascertained.

3. That I have further to recommend that a legislative council, consisting of one chamber, should be constituted in each province into which New Zealand may be divided; to be composed of persons summoned thereto by her Majesty, and of representatives elected thereto by the electors of the province; in which chamber the Governor should not have a seat.

4. That I have recommended that the General Assembly for the New Zealand Islands should possess in full the ample powers of legislation which are usually conferred upon such assemblies; and that I have further recommended that the provincial legislative councils should have (until any alteration on that subject should be made by the General Assembly) the same powers of legislation as are conferred on the provincial legislative councils, by the ordinance which provides for the establishment of provincial legislative councils in the colony of New Zealand.

5. That I have recommended that those districts which desire to have municipal corporations, should have such institutions bestowed upon them; but that the possession of the advantage of a provincial legislative council should in no way be made dependent upon a district accepting a municipal corporation or

not; on the contrary, I have recommended that the representatives should be returned by direct election, both to the General Assembly and to the Provincial Legislative Councils.

6. That I have recommended that the right of voting at elections should be exercised by such European subjects of Her Majesty, as have either a small estate of freehold in possession, in lands or tenements situated within the district for which such vote is to be given, or are householders within such district, occupying a dwelling of a small annual value; and that I have further recommended that the right of voting at such elections should be exercised by such native subjects of the Queen as are possessed of property, in government securities, in vessels, or in tenements, within such district, for which such vote is to be given, of the clear value of two hundred pounds, or who may be authorised to exercise such vote by a certificate granted to them for that purpose by the Governor-in-Chief.

7. In reference to that portion of the address of the Council, in which they request me to state whether I have it in contemplation to take any immediate steps in conjunction with the Council, to secure the adoption, at the earliest possible period, of the measures which I propose,—I have to state that I shall be glad, in conjunction with this Council, to request Her Majesty's advisers to cause the provisions of such a form of representative government, as I have detailed, to be embodied in an Act of Parliament, to take effect from the period which I have named, or at such earlier date, as may for that purpose be proclaimed by the Governor-in-Chief, if in his opinion the state of the colony would justify him in so doing;—but upon this latter point, I am anxious not to be considered as holding out any expectations which it may not be in my power to fulfil.

G. GREY.

The Reply, on the motion of Mr. Bell, was then ordered to be printed.

The Colonial Secretary gave notice of the following motion for Tuesday next, the 26th instant:—

"That the Council do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council, for the purpose of taking into consideration the reply of His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief to the address of the Legislative Council."

The standing orders were further considered, and the rules adopted by the Council.

The Council adjourned at a quarter to five o'clock, p.m., to Tuesday the 26th instant at two o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1848.

Present—

His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and all the Members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

The Colonial Secretary moved the order of the day,

"That this Council do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council, to take into consideration the reply of His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief to their Address of the 22nd instant."

Council in Committee.

Committee, on the motion of Mr. Hickson, adopted the following report:

"The Committee of the whole Council having taken into consideration His Excellency's reply, to their address of the 22nd inst., beg to report that they are of opinion,

"That the number of persons summoned by Her Majesty to the Provincial Council, in accordance with the third head of His Excellency's reply, should never exceed five, that being in their opinion, a sufficient number of persons to represent the government in the Legislative body.

"The Committee are not prepared to suggest any further alterations in the plan proposed by His Excellency.

"They would recommend the Council to request his Excellency to urge Her Majesty's advisers to cause the provisions of such a form of Representative Government to be embodied in an Act of Parliament, to take effect at the period named, or at such earlier date as may, for that purpose, be proclaimed by the Governor-in-Chief; the Committee being convinced, that it is of the greatest importance to the Islands of New Zealand, that Representative Institutions should be introduced at the earliest practicable date."

The Committee adjourned, and their report was brought up.

On the motion of the Attorney General, the Council adopted the Report of the Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Hickson, the Council adopted the following resolution:

"That this Council have much pleasure in expressing its satisfaction at the exposition, by His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, of his plans for the introduction of Representative Institutions into New Zealand."

The Council adjourned at ten minutes past five, *sine die*.

(Signed)

H. S. HARRISON,
Clerk of Council.