## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## Thursday, the 23rd day of August, 1877.

NOTICES RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On going into Committee of Supply.

Hon. Major Atkinson's amendment, That, in the opinion of this House, the incidence of taxation should be so adjusted as to impose on property a fair share of the burden entailed on the colony by expenditure on public works, and thereby afford means for the reduction of taxes on necessaries; and that the financial proposals of the Government next Session should embody this principle.

Mr. Pyke's amendment to the foregoing, After the word "property" to insert the words "and

income."

Mr. Wakefield, to move, That it is expedient,—

(1.) That the system of free selection, with a fixed price of £2 an acre for all blocks containing more than twenty acres, be applied to all the waste lands of the Crown throughout the colony, including the confiscated lands.

(2.) That all blocks not exceeding twenty acres be submitted to public auction at an

upset price of £2 an acre for rural lands, and £12 10s. a quarter-acre for town lands.

(3.) That one-fifth of the land revenue be paid directly to the County Fund of the county

within which such revenue arises.

(4) That the revenue four fifths of the land revenue he paid into the Consolidates

(4.) That the remaining four-fifths of the land revenue be paid into the Consolidated Fund, for ordinary appropriation by this House.

(5.) That all pre-emptive rights shall cease.

(6.) The costs and expenses of the following services to be defrayed from Colonial revenue, viz.,—

1. All existing departments of the Government, including the Civil List.

2. The interest and Sinking Fund of all loans, whether Colonial or Provincial.

3. Primary education.

4. Gaols, police, and lunatic asylums.

5. Public railways, and arterial roads and bridges.

6. Subsidies to local bodies.

(7.) The cost and expenses of the following services to be defrayed by local bodies:—

Roads, bridges, and other local public works other than arterial.
 Hospitals and charitable institutions.

3. Penitentiaries and reformatories, not being public gaols.

Mr. Sheehan to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all railway plant and materials which can be procured and manufactured in the colony should be so procured and manufactured, even though the adoption of this course may lead to a slight increase in the cost; and further, that the Government should take steps to insure the use of New Zealand coals, instead of Newcastle or other foreign coals, upon the Government railways.

Mr. Sharp to move, in Committee on the Education Bill, the following addition to clause 89:—
The Board may also, on the recommendation of the Inspector, in such outlying districts which it would be premature or inconvenient to constitute school districts, assist schools started by private enterprise in books, school apparatus, or money, as the Board shall think expedient.

Mr. O'RORKE to move, in Committee on the Auckland Provincial Council Library Bill, the

omission of clauses 2, 3, and 4, and the substitution of the following clauses:-

Upon the passing of this Act the whole of the Auckland Provincial Council Library, at present deposited in the Museum at Auckland, shall vest in the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Auckland, and shall be handed over to the Borough Council of the said city so soon as "The Public Libraries Act, 1869," shall be adopted by the citizens of Auckland, and a suitable building shall be provided for the reception and safe custody of the library.

The said library, when handed over to the Borough Council, shall be managed in pursuance of the provisions of the said Public

Libraries Act, and shall be open to the public free of all charge.