

NEW SOUTH WALES.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

DURING THE YEAR

1830,

WITH SUNDRY DOCUMENTS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

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MEMBERS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

1830.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,

THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,

THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,

ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,

RICHARD JONES, Esq.,

JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,

EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, Esq.,

ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,

HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

MINUTE No. 1.

Council Chamber, Monday, 18th January, 1830.

Present, in pursuance of summons.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

LIEUTENANT COLONEL LINDSAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.

1. Hannibal Hawkins Macarthur, Esq., having been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to the vacancy in the Council occasioned by the death of John Thomas Campbell, Esq., who occupied, provisionally, the seat originally proposed for Captain Phillip Parker King, R. N., took the usual Oaths and his Seat at the Council accordingly.
2. The Order of the Day for the third reading of the following Bill having been moved, intituled, "*An Act declaring that a certain Act of Parliament passed in the tenth year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of His Majesty's 'Roman Catholic Subjects' extends to, and is in force in, the Colony of New South Wales,'*" (No. 9.)
The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed.
3. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council the following Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for preventing the mischiefs arising from 'the printing and publishing Newspapers and Papers of a like nature by persons not 'known, and for regulating the printing and publication of such Papers in other respects; 'and also for restraining the abuses arising from the publication of blasphemous and 'seditious libels, and for further restraining the abuses arising from the publication of 'slandorous and libellous matter.'*"
This Bill was now read a first time, and upon the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, it was ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 27th January, instant.
4. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm all Laws passed by the former Councils having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.
It was then moved by John Macarthur, Esquire, and seconded by the Chief Justice, that a Special Committee be appointed to consider and revise all the Acts of the antecedent Legislature, and report upon them to the Council.
His Excellency then informed the Council that in consequence of the foregoing motion, he would withdraw the Bill which was now under the consideration of the Council.
5. His Excellency then laid before the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill to amend an Act for regulating the constitution of Juries for the 'trial of Civil Issues in the Supreme Court of New South Wales.'*"
It was then ordered, on the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Auditor General, that this Bill be read a second time on Wednesday, the 27th instant.
6. His Excellency then laid before the Council the following Bill, intituled, "*A Bill for 'authorizing Fines, Penalties, Forfeitures, Rates, Tolls, or Dues to be levied and paid in 'Sterling Money of the Realm.'*"
This Bill was now read a first time, and on the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Auditor General, ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 27th instant.
7. His Excellency then presented to the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill for the further regulation of the Courts of Requests in New 'South Wales.'*"
The Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. Jones, moved, that this Bill be read a second time on Wednesday, the 27th instant, and the same was ordered accordingly.
8. The Governor then presented the following Bill, which was read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill for the relief of Debtors, and for an equal distribution of their Estates and 'Effects amongst their Creditors in New South Wales and the Dependencies thereof.'*"
The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Chief Justice, moved, that the second reading take place on Wednesday, the 27th instant, which was carried in the affirmative.
9. His Excellency informed the Council, that having adopted the amendments proposed by the Council to the Slaughtering Bill, he now laid the same before the Council in order to its being passed into a Law.
On the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Attorney General, it was ordered, that this Bill be read a third time on Wednesday, the 27th instant.
10. His Excellency then nominated the Chief Justice a Member of the Sub-Committee on the Customs Bill, and he was balloted for, and elected unanimously.
The Council then adjourned to Wednesday, the 27th January instant.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 2.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 27th January, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
 THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
 THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 LIEUTENANT COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Newspaper Restriction Bill having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.
 Certain amendments having been proposed to this Bill, the Council resolved itself into a Committee thereon, and the clauses of the Bill were read *seriatim*.
 Mr. Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Blaxland, moved, that the amount of security to be required for Recognizances and Sureties, be continued at the present amount of three hundred instead of five hundred pounds, as proposed in the Bill now under consideration, which was carried in the affirmative.
 The Chief Justice, seconded by the Auditor General, moved, that the Bill, in its amended form, be fairly transcribed, and carried to the Governor by the Colonial Secretary and Colonel Lindesay, for His Excellency's consideration, which was agreed to.
2. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill authorizing fines, &c., to be received and paid in Sterling Money, having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.
 The other Orders of the Day were then postponed to Friday, the 29th January instant, to which day, at Twelve o'clock, the Council then adjourned.

E DEAS THOMSON,
 Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 3.

Council Chamber, Friday, 29th January, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
 THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
 THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 LIEUTENANT COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Order of the Day was moved for the third reading of the following Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for preventing the mischiefs arising from the printing and publishing Newspapers and Papers of a like nature, by persons not known, and for regulating the printing and publication of such Papers in other respects; and also for restraining the abuses arising from the publication of blasphemous and seditious libels, and for further restraining the abuses arising from the publication of slanderous and libellous matter,'" (No. 1.)
 The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed unanimously.
2. The Governor, in presenting to the Council a Bill for the amendment of an Act lately passed for regulating Trials by Jury in Civil Cases; desired the Clerk to read an Extract from the Despatch received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, relative to the establishment of Juries, which being read accordingly, the Governor observed, that understanding it was the intention of some of the inhabitants to Petition Parliament on the subject of extending Trial by Jury to this Colony, he was desirous of drawing the attention of the Council to the circumstance of the Secretary of State having directed in the Despatch which had been just read, that the Members should be called on to state their opinion, for the information of His Majesty's Government, as to the expediency of introducing generally Trial by Jury. He said that he had adverted to this circumstance to shew that His Majesty's Government was not opposed to the measure, should it appear that the Colony was in a state to profit by it; and he assured the Council, should this prove to be the fact, that the Local Government would be found in no way inimical to it. The Governor then pointed out how unadvisable it appeared, considering the disposition which Government had evinced to adopt the measure in question, to attempt to force it prematurely to do so, conceiving it, as he in fact did, impossible for the Secretary of State to accede to any application which might be made from hence, until he should have been put in possession of the sentiments of the Council as required by his Despatch. He further observed that although persons out of doors, who could not be aware of the instructions which had been received, might naturally feel anxious to urge the matter, still it might be considered in the case of Members who were acquainted with those instructions, as pressing the Government to a hasty adoption of a measure which it had already evinced a readiness to establish, on receiving satisfactory information, that it could be established advantageously.

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The Governor then explained the reason why he had not yet called on the Council for their opinion, and stated it to be from a desire that the Members should have an opportunity of ascertaining how the Juries in Civil cases, according to the arrangements now in progress, answered the object intended.

The Governor repeated, in conclusion, that there was no indisposition whatever on the part of the Local Government to the introduction of Trial by Jury, but he begged again to point out that whatever steps gentlemen out of doors might take, being unacquainted with the Secretary of State's instructions, it might be as well that the Members of Council abstained from interfering or appearing to force the Government, by subscribing any petition for such purpose.

3. The Governor, in consequence of indisposition, then withdrew, and the Chief Justice having taken the Chair, the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Jury Amendment Bill was moved, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

On the motion of the Archdeacon, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the Council resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

John Macarthur, Esquire, seconded by H. H. Macarthur, Esquire, moved, that the following Magistrates be called before the Council, and examined upon the subject of the present Bill, viz. :—

W. Jemmett Brown, Esq.,	
Thomas Icely, Esq.,	Thomas M'Vitie, Esq.,
George Bunn, Esq.,	James Mitchell, Esq.,
William Cordeaux, Esq.,	William Walker, Esq., and
John Lamb, Esq.,	Edward Wollstencroft, Esq.

Upon the question being put, there appeared :—

Against the motion	6
In favor.....	4
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Majority against the motion.....	2

John Macarthur, Esquire, seconded by H. H. Macarthur, Esquire, moved, that the Jury Lists which had been prepared in pursuance of the Act of Council, 10 Geo. IV, No. 8, should be produced to the Council for their information, which motion was negatived.

It was then moved by the Colonial Secretary, and seconded by Mr. Jones, that the Bill, in its amended form, be fairly transcribed, and carried to the Governor by the Collector of Customs and Auditor General, for His Excellency's consideration.

The other Orders having been then postponed to the next Meeting, the Council adjourned to Wednesday, the 3rd February.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 4.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 3rd February, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,	
THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,	COLONEL LINDESAY,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,	RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,	JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	H. H. MACARTHUR, ESQ.

1. His Excellency the Governor informed the Council, that having adopted the amendments proposed by the Council to the Jury Amendment Bill, he now laid the same before them, in order to its being passed into a Law.

The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, moved the third reading of this Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for regulating the constitution of Juries for the trial of Civil Issues in the Supreme Court of New South Wales.'*" (No. 2.)

This Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed, there appearing upon a division :—

In favor of the Bill.....	8
Against.....	2
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Majority.....	6

2. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Courts of Requests Amendment Bill having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.

The Council then resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, and certain amendments having been proposed, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the Bill, in its amended form, be fairly transcribed and carried to the Governor by the Colonial Secretary and the Collector of Customs, for His Excellency's consideration.

3. The second reading of the Insolvent Debtors Bill, together with the other Orders of the Day, were then postponed to Friday, the 5th instant, to which day the Council then adjourned.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 5.

Council Chamber, Friday, 5th February, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

His Excellency the Governor,

THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

COLONEL LINDESAY,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. His Excellency the Governor informed the Council that he had adopted the amendments proposed by them to the following Bill, intituled, "*An Act for the further regulation of the Courts of Requests in New South Wales.*" (No. 3.) It was then moved by the Colonial Secretary, and seconded by the Collector of Customs, that this Bill be now read a third time. The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed unanimously.
2. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Insolvent Debtors' Bill having been then moved, the same was read a second time accordingly. A Petition from the Chamber of Commerce, in respect to this Bill, was then presented by the Governor, and having been by his direction read by the Clerk, was ordered to be received. It was then moved by Mr. Jones, and seconded by the Colonial Secretary, that this Bill be referred to a Sub-Committee, who should be directed to consider and report upon the same for the information of the Council, which motion was agreed to. His Excellency the Governor nominated the following Members to form the Sub-Committee in question, who were severally balloted for and elected unanimously, viz:—

His Honor the Chief Justice,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
MR. CAMPBELL,

MR. JONES,
MR. HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR.

The other Orders of the Day were then postponed to the next Meeting, and the Council adjourned *sine die*.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 6.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 10th March, 1830.

Present, in pursuance of summons:—

His Excellency the Governor,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

COLONEL LINDESAY,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,

The number of Members required by the Statute 9th Geo. IV, c. 83, to constitute a Council, not being present, the Meeting was adjourned over by His Excellency the Governor to Friday, the 12th March instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 7.

Council Chamber, Friday, 12th March, 1830.

Present, in pursuance of summons:—

His Excellency the Governor,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.

The requisite number of Members to constitute a Council not having appeared, His Excellency the Governor adjourned the Meeting to Monday, the 15th March instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

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MINUTE No. 8.

Council Chamber, Monday, 15th March, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

His Excellency the Governor,

His Honor the Chief Justice,
The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
The Attorney General,
The Collector of Customs,
The Auditor General,
Colonel Lindesay,

John MacArthur, Esq.,
Robert Campbell, Esq.,
Richard Jones, Esq.,
John Blaxland, Esq.,
Hannibal Hawkins MacArthur, Esq.

1. The Order of the Day was then moved for the third reading of the following Bill, intituled, "*An Act for regulating the Slaughtering of Cattle, and for preventing the improper driving of the same through the streets of Sydney, and for other purposes.*" (No. 4.) The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed unanimously.
2. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council the following Bill, which was read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill for prolonging for a certain period, the term of all Licenses for keeping Public Houses, which were granted in the year 1829.*" (No. 5.) On the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, it was resolved, that the Standing Orders be suspended, and that this Bill be carried through its several stages at the present Meeting. The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and certain amendments having been proposed, it was committed and amended. The Governor having approved of such amendments, the Bill was then read a third time, and passed.
3. His Excellency then laid before the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill for the punishment and transportation of offenders in New South Wales.*" The Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved that this Bill be read a second time at the first Meeting of Council after the elapse of eight clear days from the present time, which motion was agreed to.
4. His Excellency then presented the following Bill, intituled, "*A Bill for abating the nuisance occasioned by the great number of Dogs which are loose in the Streets of Sydney, Parramatta, and Windsor, in the Colony of New South Wales.*" The Bill was now read a first time, and, on the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, it was ordered to be read a second time at the first Meeting after the expiration of eight clear days from the present time.
5. His Honor the Chief Justice, as Chairman, presented the following Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Customs Bill, together with the amended Bill, which were severally read, viz :—

Report of the Sub-Committee of the Council upon the Bill for regulating the Customs.

"The Sub-Committee appointed for considering the Bill for regulating the Customs, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the several clauses and provisions of the Bill referred to them; and they have been, from time to time, attended by a deputation of the Merchants connected with the trade of the Colony, and have heard and considered all such suggestions and objections as were made by them to the Bill; and the Committee beg leave further to report, that they have prepared certain amendments of the Bill so referred to them, in which they have adopted all such suggestions as appear to them to improve the same, and to promote the objects thereof; and they have the honor to submit their amendments for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor, and the Members of the Legislative Council."

(Signed)

FRANCIS FORBES,
Chairman.

10th March, 1830.

The Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved, that the Bill, in its amended form be fairly transcribed, and carried to the Governor by the Colonial Secretary and the Collector of Customs, for His Excellency's consideration.

6. The Chief Justice, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to revise the Insolvent Debtors' Bill, then brought up the following Report, together with the amended Bill, which were severally read, viz :—

Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Insolvent Debtors' Bill.

"The Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Insolvent Debtors' Bill, beg leave to report, that they have considered the several provisions of the Bill, and the objections urged against the general policy thereof, as well as certain suggestions offered by certain of the Merchants and Traders of the Colony; and they have made such alterations and amendments in the original form of the Bill as appeared to them to be expedient. Those amendments will be found to consist chiefly in a new clause for granting certificates to persons who shall make a fair disclosure of their effects, and for relieving Debtors confined in Gaol for any amount, who have no prospect of being ever able to pay their debts; and conceiving the Bill to be in some respects experimental, they have added a clause forlimiting it to two years operation."

(Signed)

FRANCIS FORBES,
Chairman.

15th March, 1830.

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The Chief Justice, seconded by Mr. Jones, moved, that the Bill, in its amended form, be fairly transcribed, and carried to the Governor by the Colonial Secretary and the Auditor General, for His Excellency's consideration.
The Council then adjourned to Friday, the 19th instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 9.

Council Chamber, Friday, 19th March, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDESAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,

ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, ESQ.

1. His Excellency the Governor having approved of the amendments proposed by the Committee on the following Bill, now laid the same before the Council in order to its being passed into a Law, viz:—"An Act for the general regulation of the Customs, in New South Wales and its Dependencies," (No. 6.)
On the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the Bill was now read a third time and passed unanimously.
2. The Governor then nominated the Auditor General and Mr. Jones as additional Members of the Quarantine Bill Committee, who were accordingly balloted for and elected unanimously. The Council then adjourned to Wednesday, the 24th March instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 10.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 24th March, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDESAY,

ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, ESQ.

His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intituled, "A Bill to amend the Laws now in force relative to the Licensing and Regulating of Public Houses; and for the better regulating the granting of Licenses for the sale of Ale, Beer, Wine, Spirits, and other Liquors in New South Wales."

- The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Auditor General, moved, that this Bill be read a second time on the 2nd of April, or at the first Meeting of the Council after that date, which motion was carried in the affirmative.
2. Mr. Hannibal H. Macarthur, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved, that Bills in future should not be printed until the same may have been passed through the Sub-Committee, if such should be the order of proceeding.
The Chief Justice, seconded by the Collector of Customs, moved, as an amendment, that a Sub-Committee should be appointed to revise the Rules and Orders for the proceedings, and particularly with reference to the object of Mr. H. Macarthur's motion, which was agreed to.

The following Members were then nominated by the Governor, and balloted for and elected unanimously to form the Sub-Committee in question, viz:—

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

MR. CAMPBELL,
MR. JONES,
MR. H. H. MACARTHUR.

3. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Summary Punishment Bill having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.
On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. Jones, it was ordered, that the Bill be referred to a Sub-Committee who should be directed to revise the same, and report for the information of the Council.
The Governor nominated the following persons to form the Sub-Committee, who were thereupon severally balloted for and elected, viz:—

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
MR. BLAXLAND,

MR. CLOSE,
MR. HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR.

4. The Bill for abating the nuisance of Dogs was then read a second time.

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The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, moved, that this Bill be referred to a Sub-Committee, who should be instructed to revise and report upon the same. The Governor nominated the following Members to be upon the Committee, who were balloted for and elected unanimously:—

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,	MR. JONES,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	MR. CLOSE.

5. The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Chief Justice, moved, that the 5th Rule of the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the Licensing Bill now presented be not printed until the Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Orders of proceeding shall be brought up, which motion was agreed to.

The Council then adjourned to Friday, the 2nd April, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 11.

Council Chamber, Friday, 2nd April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,	RICHARD JONES Esq.,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,	JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, Esq.,
COLONEL LINDESAY,	HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Order of the Day was then moved for the third reading of the following Bill, intituled, "*An Act for the relief of Debtors, and for an equal distribution of their Estates and Effects amongst Creditors.*" (No. 7.)

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, the Bill was withdrawn, and certain amendments having been proposed, it was ordered, that the Standing Rules be suspended, and that it be carried through its several stages at the present meeting; the Bill having been amended accordingly, it was read a first, second, and third time, and passed unanimously.

2. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for Licensing Public Houses was then moved, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, moved, that the Bill be referred to a Sub-Committee, who should be instructed to revise, and report to the Council upon the same, which motion was carried in the affirmative.

His Excellency the Governor then nominated the following Members to be upon the Committee in question, who were severally balloted for and elected unanimously, viz. :—

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,	RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, Esq.,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

3. His Excellency the Governor then presented a Petition from the Licensed Victuallers, which was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Hannibal H. Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Blaxland, moved that the Petition be not received, on account of its being improperly and indecorously signed, which was ordered accordingly.

4. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intituled, "*A Bill for confirming certain rates and duties heretofore levied and collected in the Colony, and for continuing the like rates and duties until further provision shall be made.*"

The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Auditor General, moved, that this Bill be read a second time on Monday, the 12th instant, which motion was agreed to.

The Council then adjourned to Wednesday next, the 7th April instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 12.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 7th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,	ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,	RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.
COLONEL LINDESAY,	EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, Esq.

1. The Colonial Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Orders of Proceedings, brought up the following Report, together with the amended Rules which they had prepared, which were severally read.

Report

Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Orders of Proceeding.
 "The Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Orders of proceeding beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the several clauses of the Orders, and have prepared such amendments as appeared to them to improve the same, and they have the honor to submit their suggestions for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor, and the Members of the Legislative Council."

(Signed)

ALEXANDER M'LEAY.

7th April, 1830.

The several Rules were then read *seriatim*, and after certain amendments having been proposed, were *passed*.

The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Auditor General, moved, that the Standing Orders, as now amended, be presented, and a copy thereof transmitted to each Member, which motion was agreed to.

2. The Colonial Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to revise the Bill to abate the nuisance of Dogs, brought up the following Report together with the amended Bill which they had prepared, which were severally read.

Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Bill to abate the nuisance of Dogs.

"The Committee beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the several provisions of the Bill to abate the nuisance of Dogs, and have made such alterations and amendments as they considered likely to attain the objects in view, and they have now the honor to lay before His Excellency the Governor, and the Members of the Legislative Council, the Bill in its amended form for their consideration."

(Signed)

ALEXANDER M'LEAY.

7th April, 1830.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Collector of Customs, the clauses of the Bill were read *seriatim*, and severally agreed to.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. Jones, it was ordered, that the Bill be fairly transcribed by the Clerk, and carried to the Governor by the Collector of Customs and the Auditor General, for His Excellency's consideration.

3. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council a Letter from the President and Committee of the Licensed Victuallers, returning the Petition from that body with the fictitious signature, which had been objected to at the last Meeting, erased, and disavowing any intentional disrespect to His Excellency the Governor and the Members of the Legislative Council, and explaining that the signature complained of had been affixed by Mr. Frederick Gibson, who holds a license for the Golden Fleece, George-street, Sydney, in the presence of Skinner, the Assistant Chief Constable, and had inadvertently been omitted to be erased previously to being presented.

The Petition was now ordered to be received.

Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved, that Mr. Frederick Gibson should be called before the Council on Monday, the 12th instant, to explain his conduct in respect to this Petition, and that a deputation from the Licensed Victuallers, and Skinner, the Assistant Chief Constable, should also be desired to attend, which motion was agreed to.

His Excellency the Governor then nominated the Attorney General to be a Member of the Licensing Bill Committee, who was thereupon balloted for and elected.

The Council then adjourned to Monday, the 12th April instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
 Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 13:

Council Chamber, Monday, 12th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
 THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 COLONEL LINDESEY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

A sufficient number of Members to form a Council not having appeared, the Meeting was adjourned by His Excellency the Governor to the following day, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
 Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE

MINUTE No. 14.

Council Chamber, Tuesday, 13th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,

ALEXANDER BERRY, ESQ.,
RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, ESQ.

The number of Members required by law to constitute a Council not having been present, His Excellency the Governor adjourned over the Meeting to the following day at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 15.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 14th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDSAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,

ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
ALEXANDER BERRY, ESQ.,
RICHARD JONES, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, ESQ.

1. Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved the following Resolution, which was carried unanimously, viz:—
 "Notice being given to the Council that it is to assemble, if any Member, from ill health, or other cause, is unable to attend at the appointed day and hour, he will be expected to send information to the Clerk of the Council at or before Ten of the clock on the morning of the day of Meeting that he is unable to attend; and if any Member shall neglect to send such notice, he shall, for every such neglect, pay a fine of five pounds into the hands of the Clerk of the Council, such fine to be disposed of in such manner as the Council may direct."
2. His Excellency the Governor then directed the Clerk to read a Letter which had been addressed to him by Mr. Frederick Gibson, under date the 9th instant, explanatory of his conduct in respect to the Petition from the Licensed Victuallers, which he acknowledges therein to have signed with the fictitious signature of "Vade mecum."
 The deputation from the Licensed Victuallers, and Assistant Chief Constable Skinner, who had been desired to attend, it was not necessary to examine, in consequence of this acknowledgment.
 Mr. Frederick Gibson having been called before the Council, the Clerk was directed to address him, as follows:—
 "Frederick Gibson,
 "The Governor and Council consider your subscription of the Petition of the Licensed Publicans of Sydney to be highly disrespectful and contemptuous, and that the style and language of your explanation are an aggravation of the insult, which they will not fail to notice by such means as will mark their sense of your ill conduct."
 Mr. Gibson was then ordered to withdraw.
3. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Rates and Duties Bill was postponed to the next Meeting.
4. His Excellency the Governor then informed the Council, that having approved of the amendments which had been proposed in respect to the following Bill, he now laid the same before the Council, in order to its being passed into a Law, viz:—
 "An Act to abate the nuisance occasioned by the great number of Dogs which are loose in the Streets of the Towns of Sydney, Parramatta, Liverpool, and Windsor, in the Colony of New South Wales." (No. 8.)
 The Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. John Macarthur, moved, that this Bill be now read a third time, which motion was carried in the affirmative, and the Bill was accordingly read and passed.
 The Council then adjourned to Monday, the 19th instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE

MINUTE No. 16.

Council Chamber, Monday, 19th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDESAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,

ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
ALEXANDER BERRY, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, ESQ.

1. Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved the following resolution, which was unanimously agreed to.—
“ That in order to prevent the loss of time which is occasioned by Members not attending punctually at the hour appointed, the Clerk of the Council shall call over the names of the Members precisely one-quarter of an hour after the time fixed for the Meeting of the Council, noting such as are absent, and if there are not ten Members present, the Council shall be considered to be adjourned until the Governor shall fix a day for its Meeting, of which due notice will be given to the Members.”
2. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council, for their information, “ An Abstract of the Revenue and Receipts paid into the Colonial Treasury in the year 1829, and of the appropriation thereof, for the service of the same year,” which was ordered to lie upon the Table.
3. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Rates and Duties Bill having been moved, the same was read a second time accordingly.
Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Close, moved, that a Sub-Committee be appointed to revise and report upon this Bill, which motion was agreed to.
His Excellency the Governor then nominated the following Members to be upon the Committee in question, who were thereupon severally ballotted for and elected, viz :—

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.

JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD C. CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, ESQ.

4. The Council having then resolved itself into a Committee, the Colonial Secretary brought up the following Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Licensing Bill, together with the Bill which they had prepared, which were severally read, viz :—
Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Bill relative to the Licensing of Public Houses.
“ The Sub-Committee have met on several occasions, and attentively considered the provisions of the Bill referred to them, for regulating the Licensing of Public Houses, and have made such additions and alterations as they consider will improve the same. They have consulted various Acts of the British Parliament relative to this subject, and of the Colonial Legislature of Van Diemen's Land, and have embodied such parts in the Bill, which they have now the honor to submit for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor, and the Members of the Legislative Council, as they have deemed applicable to the circumstances of this Colony.”

(Signed)

ALEXANDER M'LEAY,
Chairman.

19th April, 1830.

The Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. Blaxland, moved, that the Bill, as amended by the Committee, be printed, which motion was carried.

The Council then adjourned to Wednesday, the 21st instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 17.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 21st April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, ESQ.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
ALEXANDER BERRY, ESQ.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, ESQ.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, ESQ.,
HANNIBAL H. MACARTHUR, ESQ.

1. The Committee appointed to revise the Bill to confirm certain Rates and Duties; not being prepared with their Report, His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council, the Bill in an amended form, which was accordingly read.
On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney General, this Bill was then read a third time, and passed unanimously.

2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council the following Bill, which was read a first time, intituled, "*An Act to suppress Robbery and Housebreaking, and the harbouring of Robbers and Housebreakers.*" (No. 10.)

The Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, moved the suspension of the Standing Orders, and that this Bill be carried through its several stages at the present sitting, which motion was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and the Council having resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, certain amendments were proposed and adopted thereon.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. John Macarthur, this Bill was then read a third time, and *passed* unanimously.

The Council then adjourned to Monday, the 26th instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 18.

Council Chamber, Monday, 26th April, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDSAY,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,

ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
EDWARD CHARLES CLOSE, Esq.,
HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Colonial Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee, in the absence of the Chief Justice, brought up the amended Bill they had prepared for the summary punishment of offenders, which was now read.
The Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney General, moved that it be printed, which motion was agreed to.
The Council then adjourned to Tuesday, the 4th May.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 19.

Council Chamber, Tuesday, 4th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
COLONEL LINDSAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Council resolved itself into a Committee, and resumed the discussion on the Bill to regulate the Licensing of Public Houses.
Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Blaxland, moved, that the power of masters to retail liquors to their servants be extended to those resident in the several towns of the Colony.

On the question being put, there appeared—

In favor of the motion 3
Against it 9

Majority against..... 6

The Chief Justice, seconded by Mr. Jones, moved, that the Bill be fairly transcribed, as amended, and carried to the Governor by the Archdeacon and Colonial Secretary for His Excellency's consideration, which motion was agreed to.

The Council then adjourned to the following day at Ten o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 20.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 5th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
 THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
 THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
 ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Council having resolved itself into a Committee, the discussion was resumed on the *Summary Punishment Bill*, the clauses of which were read *seriatim* and amended. The further discussion upon this Bill was then adjourned to the following day at Ten o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
 Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 21.

Council Chamber, Thursday, 6th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
 THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
 THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
 ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. The Council resolved itself into a Committee on the *Summary Punishment Bill*, and resumed the discussion thereon. Certain amendments having been proposed and adopted, the Chief Justice, seconded by Mr. Jones, moved, that this Bill, in its amended form, be fairly transcribed, and carried to the Governor by the Colonial Secretary and Colonel Lindesay, for His Excellency's consideration.
2. His Excellency the Governor then laid before the Council the following Bill, which was now read a first time, intitled, "*A Bill to regulate the powers of Justices of the Peace in the Colony of New South Wales.*" It was then ordered, on the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, that this Bill be read a second time on Wednesday, the 12th May instant, to which day, at Twelve o'clock, the Council then adjourned.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
 Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 22.

Council Chamber, Wednesday, 12th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
 THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
 THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
 COLONEL LINDESAY,

JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
 ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
 ALEXANDER BERRY, Esq.,
 RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
 HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

1. His Excellency the Governor informed the Council that he approved of the amendments which had been proposed on the following Bill, and now presented the same to the Council, intitled, "*A Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws now in force relative to the Licensing and Regulating of Public Houses; and for the better regulating the granting of Licences for the sale of Ale, Beer, Wine, Spirits, and other Liquors in New South Wales.*" (No. 11.) On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney General, this Bill was now read a third time, and passed unanimously.
2. His Excellency then presented the following Bill, the amendments upon which, as proposed by the Council, he approved, intitled, "*A Bill for the Punishment and Transportation of Offenders in New South Wales.*" (No. 12.)

Mr. ..

Mr. John Macarthur, seconded by Mr. Hannibal Hawkins Macarthur, moved, that this Bill be rejected.

Upon the question being put, there appeared :—

In favor of the motion.....	4
Against.....	6
Majority against.....	2

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Archdeacon, this Bill was read a third time, and *passed*.

3. The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the powers of Justices of the Peace having been read, the Colonial Secretary, seconded by Mr. Hannibal H. Macarthur, moved, that the Bill be referred to a Sub-Committee, who should be instructed to revise and report upon the same, which motion was carried in the affirmative. The Governor then nominated the following Members to be upon the Committee in question, who were thereupon balloted for individually, and unanimously elected, viz. :—

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,	RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,	HANNIBAL HAWKINS MACARTHUR, Esq.

The Council then adjourned to Tuesday, the 18th May instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 23.

Council Chamber, Tuesday, 18th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

COLONEL LINDESAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.

1. The Colonial Secretary, as Chairman of the Sub-Committee upon the Bill for regulating the powers of Justices of the Peace, brought up the following Report, together with the amended Bill, which were severally read, viz. :—

Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to revise the Bill for regulating the powers of Justices of the Peace.

“ The Sub-Committee have met, and attentively considered the several Clauses of the Bill referred to them, and have made such additions and alterations as they have considered calculated to improve the same; and they have now the honor to submit the Bill in its amended form for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor, and the Members of the Legislative Council.”

(Signed) ALEXANDER M'LEAY.

18th February, 1830.

The clauses of the Bill were then read *seriatim*, and certain amendments having been proposed, the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Chief Justice, moved, that it be again referred to the Sub-Committee, with instructions to prepare a Bill embodying such amendments, which motion was agreed to.

His Excellency the Governor then nominated the Chief Justice to be a Member of the Sub-Committee in question, who was thereupon balloted for and elected.

The Council then adjourned to Thursday, the 20th instant, at Twelve o'clock.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.

MINUTE No. 24.

Council Chamber, Thursday, 20th May, 1830.

Present, pursuant to adjournment :—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,
THE VENERABLE THE ARCHDEACON,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,

COLONEL LINDESAY,
JOHN MACARTHUR, Esq.,
ROBERT CAMPBELL, Esq.,
RICHARD JONES, Esq.,
JOHN BLAXLAND, Esq.

1. The Chief Justice, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to revise the Bill for regulating the powers of Justices of the Peace, brought up the amended Bill which they had prepared.

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On the motion of the Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the clauses of the Bill were read *seriatim*, and agreed to.

The Chief Justice, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, then moved, that the Standing Rules in this case be dispensed with, and that the Bill be immediately presented to the Governor, for His Excellency's consideration.

Whereupon the Governor having approved of the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and laid it before the Council, the same was read a third time, and *passed* unanimously.

The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

E. DEAS THOMSON,
Clerk of the Council.