# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Wednesday, 26th August, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Hislop, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Peacock, Sir Julius Vogel.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Letter from the Colonial Treasurer, dated the 24th August, read.

Resolved, That each contract be taken into consideration separately, according to the order in which they appear in the schedule.

Resolved, That Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Maxwell be called to give evidence, and that they be

requested to bring maps and any other documentary information they may have.

Resolved, That the Committee sit daily until the business under consideration is disposed of.

The Committee adjourned until 11 a.m. to-morrow.

### Thursday, 27th August, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Montgomery, Dr. Newman, Sir Julius Vogel.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. O'Connor attended and gave evidence, which was taken down by a shorthand reporter.

The Committee adjourned till 11 a.m. to-morrow.

# FRIDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Hislop, Mr. Montgomery, Dr. Newman.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. O'Connor attended and gave further evidence, was thanked, and withdrew.

Mr. J. P. Maxwell attended, and gave evidence, which was taken down by a shorthand

The Committee adjourned till Monday, the 31st instant, at 11 a.m.

## Monday, 31st August, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Montgomery, Dr. Newman, Sir Julius Vogel, Mr. Wilson.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Maxwell completed his evidence, was thanked, and withdrew.

Resolved, That Mr. McKerrow, Surveyor-General, be called to give evidence.

The Committee adjourned till to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

### Tuesday, 1st September, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Major Atkinson, Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Hislop, Mr. Montgomery, Dr. Newman, Mr. Peacock, Sir Julius Vogel, Mr. Wilson.

The minutes of the last meeeing were read and confirmed.

Mr. McKerrow attended and gave evidence, which was taken down by a shorthand reporter. Resolved, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Duncan, and Major Steward be called to give evidence to-morrow; and that Mr. Maxwell be requested to be in attendance.

The Committee adjourned till to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

# Wednesday, 2nd September, 1885.

The Committee met pursuant to notice. Present: Mr. Moss (Chairman), Major Atkinson, Mr. Barron, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Dargaville, Mr. Hislop, Mr. Montgomery, Dr. Newman, Mr. Peacock, Sir Julius Vogel.