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JOINT AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND STOCK COMMITTEE:

REPORTS ON THE STUD BILL, TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

(Hon. Mr. ORMOND, CHAIRMAN.)

Report brought up on the 3rd October, 1902, and ordered to be printed.

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the Legislative Council. THURSDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF JULY, 1902.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 162 be suspended, and that a Select Committee be appointed to consider all matters pertaining to agricultural and pastoral industries and stock, with power to sit and confer with any similar Committee that may be appointed by the House of Representatives, and to agree to a joint or separate report; with power to call for persons, papers, or records: to consist of ten members—viz., the Hon. Mr. Bowen, the Hon. Major Harris, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, the Hon. Mr. T. Kelly, the Hon. Mr. W. Kelly, the Hon. Mr. McLean, the Hon. Mr. Ormond, the Hon. Mr. A. Lee Smith, the Hon. Mr. L. Walker, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives. TUESDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF JULY, 1902.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all matters pertaining to agricultural and pastoral industries and stock, with power to sit together with any similar Committee which may be appointed by the Legislative Council, and to agree to a joint or separate report; the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Bollard, Mr. Buddo, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lawry, Mr. Lethbridge, Mr. T. Mackenzie, Mr. Massey, the Hon. Major Steward, Mr. Symes, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. Duncan.)

Tuesday, the 19th Day of August, 1902.

Ordered, "That the Stud Bill be referred to the Joint Agricultural, Pastoral, and Stock Committee." -(Hon. Mr. DUNCAN.)

REPORTS.

THE Joint Agricultural, Pastoral, and Stock Committee, to whom was referred the Stud Bill, have the honour to report that they have considered the said Bill, and recommend the Minister to withdraw the Bill until next session, and that a sub-committee has been set up to consider and report as to how best to give effect to the objects proposed in the Bill. 26th August, 1902.

THE Joint Agricultural, Pastoral, and Stock Committee have the honour to report that, having given careful consideration to the report of the sub-committee referred to in their report of the 26th August last as having been set up to inquire as to how best to give effect to the objects proposed to be achieved by the Stud Bill, they recommend that there be forwarded to the agricultural and pastoral societies, the farmers' societies, and the owners of the principal horse-breeding establishments in the colony—(1) the Stud Bill as originally submitted; (2) the Stud Bill as subsequently submitted to your Committee; (3) the evidence taken by the sub-committee. These papers having been sent out to the several bodies interested, they be invited to forward to the Minister for Agriculture their view as to what legislation on the subject is desirable and practicable. 11th September, 1902.

THE Joint Agricultural, Pastoral, and Stock Committee have the honour to report to your honourable House that they recommend that the evidence taken by them, and accompanying this report, on the subject of the Stud Bill be printed.

3rd October, 1902.

J. D. Ormond, Chairman.