

SELECT COMMITTEES appointed during the Fourth Session, 1856.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
1. <i>Standing Orders.</i> To prepare Standing Orders for the adoption of the House, and to report from time to time as the House may appoint, with power to confer with similar Committee of the Legislative Council, to arrange the mode in which the two Houses shall confer and communicate with each other.	Mr. Speaker, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Stafford, Mr. Fox, Mr. Domett, Mr. Fitzherbert, Mr. Hall, Mr. Merriman.	April 17, 1856 On motion of Mr Sewell, in the absence of Mr. Merriman	Report brought up April 29; committed and adopted by the House April 30; supplementary report brought up May 3, and (with Standing Orders) referred to the Committee; adopted by the House May 8; May 13; petitions on private grievance referred to it June 23; private Bills July 12; report on private Bills, &c., brought up July 15; adopted and ordered to be printed, with original report, July 16 (D.—No. 25); disorderly conduct of member referred to it August 6; no further report.
2. <i>Land Scrip.</i> To enquire and report as to the nature and amount of satisfied and unsatisfied Land Scrip and Land Orders issued within the Colony; to report on or before May 2.	Mr. Ludlam, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Hall, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Wells, Mr. Sewell, * Mr. Travers, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Fox.	April 18. On motion of Mr. Sewell.	Period for bringing up report enlarged * Mr. Travers and Mr. Curtis appointed June 4; Mr. Fox appointed June 6; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed June 25 (D.—No. 16); Scrip Restriction Bill initiated July 12.
3. <i>New Zealand Company's Debt.</i> To enquire and report upon the state of the account between the New Zealand Company and the Colony in respect of their charge upon its Land Fund; to report on or before May 2.	Mr. Fox, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Stafford, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Brown, Mr. Featherston, Mr. Bell, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Brittin.*	April 18 On motion of Mr. Bell.	* Mr. Macandrew and Mr. Brittin appointed April 28; period for bringing up report enlarged; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed June 3 (D.—No. 9); financial resolutions adopted by the House July 2.
4. <i>Printing for the House.</i> To superintend the printing for the House, and the preparation of the votes and proceedings.	Mr. Speaker, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Fox, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Elliott.	April 19. On motion of Mr Elliott.	No report.
5. <i>Disputed Elections.</i> To consider all petitions against the return of any member of the House, with power to call for witnesses and papers; to report on or before May 2.	Mr. Brittin, Mr. Cuff, Mr. Fitzherbert, Mr. Hall, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Stafford, Mr. Fox, Mr. Ward.	April 18 On motion of Mr. Fox.	Report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed April 29 (D.—No. 1); Bribery and Treating Bills Nos. 1 and 2 initiated June 11.
6. <i>House Accommodation.</i> To arrange and control all matters pertaining to the comfort and necessities of the House.	Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bell, Mr. Hall, Mr. Beckham, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Elliott.	April 25. On motion of Mr Elliott.	Period for bringing up report enlarged; report brought up and read May 8, adopted by the House June 5; supplementary reports brought up and read May 22 August 5; reports adopted by the House August 9.
7. <i>Lazarus Berlowitz—Petition.</i> To report after receiving correspondence from Nelson, which, with other papers, was ordered for its consideration, and laid on the table May 13.	Mr. Wells, Mr. Brodie, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Richmond, Mr. J. Cargill, Mr. Domett, Mr. Fitzherbert.	April 28. On motion of Mr Fitzherbert	Period for bringing up report enlarged; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed June 3 (D.—No. 10); report of Committee referred to select Committee of Pensioned Officials June 6; report of Committee adopted June 5.
8. <i>Bank of Issue.</i> To take evidence on the subject of the Bank of Issue; to report on or before May 2.	Mr. Fox, Mr. Stafford, Mr. Hall, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Fitzherbert, Mr. Daldy, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Ludlam, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Macandrew.	April 29. On motion of Mr Macandrew.	Report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed May 2 (D.—No. 2); Bank Charter Bill initiated May 13; Private Paper Money Bill initiated May 16.
9. <i>Sir George Grey's Land Regulations.</i> To enquire into alleged malpractices connected with the administration of Sir George Grey's Land Regulations of 4th March, 1853, with power to call for persons and papers; to report on or before May 7.	Major Greenwood, Mr. Stafford, Mr. Featherston,* Mr. Ludlam, Mr. Sewell, Captain Cargill, Mr. Brown, Mr. Wells, Mr. Lee, Mr. Fox, Mr. Cargill.	April 30 On motion of Mr. Brown.	Period for bringing up report enlarged; report when brought up referred to select Committee on Pensioned Officials June 6; returns as to defalcations of public officers referred to it May 14; order discharged June 6 petition of James Gilligan referred to it June 10; * Mr. Featherston, Mr. Sewell, Captain Cargill, discharged June 10, and Mr. Wells, Mr. Lee, Mr. Fox, Mr. Cargill appointed same date; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed June 3 (D.—No. 19).
10. <i>Victories in the East.</i> To prepare a congratulatory address to her Majesty on the achievements of her Majesty's forces, and those of her allies in the present war; to report on or before May 15.	Mr. Speaker, Captain Cargill, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Domett, Mr. Featherston, Major Greenwood, Mr. Hall, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Stafford.	May 1. On motion of Mr. Stafford.	Period for bringing up report enlarged; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed May 22 (D.—No. 4); address adopted by the House June 6; transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies July 4.
11. <i>Richard Kingdon, M. D.—Petition.</i> To examine his petition and his claim for compensation; to report on or before May 8.	Mr. Domett, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Featherston, Mr. Lee, Mr. East.	May 1. On motion of Mr. East.	Report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed May 8 (D.—No. 3); adopted by the House May 9.
12. <i>Tidewaiters and E. Catchpool.</i> To examine into their petition and claims for redress; to report on or before May 10.	Mr. Daldy, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Cuff, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Domett, Mr. Ludlam, Mr. Hall, Mr. Fitzherbert.	May 1. On motion of Mr. Fitzherbert.	Period for bringing up report enlarged; report brought up, read, and ordered to be printed (as also appendix) May 22 (D.—No. 6); report adopted June 5; resolution as to E. Catchpool passed July 9 and August 14.