

**Record of the
Proceedings of the Queensland Parliament**

...
Legislative Council
4th July 1860

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The President took the chair at half-past four o'clock and opened the proceedings with prayer.

MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

A message, borne by the hon. the Colonial Secretary and the hon. the Attorney-General, relative to the appointment of commissioners for the settlement of the intercolonial debt, was read and received.

The message was ordered to be considered on Thursday next.

PRIMARY EDUCATION BILL.

Captain O'CONNELL presented a bill to "Provide for Primary Education in Queensland," and, in moving that it be read a first time, he thought he would best consult the wishes of hon. members by abstaining from any discussional topics until the bill came before them for a second reading. In the meantime the bill would be printed and placed in the hands of hon. members for perusal, so that when the second reading came on, which he proposed to take place on Tuesday next, they would be fully prepared to enter into its consideration. He concluded by moving that the bill be read a first time.

The motion having been seconded, the bill was read a first time, and the second reading was fixed for Tuesday next.

DISQUALIFICATION OF OFFICERS BILL.

Captain O'CONNELL moved that this Bill be read a first time, and in doing so, he explained the matter to much the same effect as the ministry had done when introducing the bill into the other house. Its object was simply to disqualify more than a certain number of officers under the government from being capable of election to the Legislative Assembly. By the present Constitution Act it was provided that any number of government officers not exceeding ten should be eligible for election, and as it was found that with so small a number as 26 members constituting the present Legislative Assembly so large a number of government officers if elected might give the ministry of the day an undue majority, it had been deemed advisable to limit the number of place-holders to five.

The motion was put and passed, and the second reading was fixed for the following day.

GOLD EXPORT DUTY REPEAL BILL.

On the motion of Captain O'CONNELL, this bill was read a third time and passed.

GOVERNOR'S SALARY BILL.

On the motion of Captain O'CONNELL, this bill was also read a third time and passed.

The last two bills were then ordered to be returned to the Assembly by the Clerk.

The house adjourned at 10 minutes to 5 o'clock until half-past 4 o'clock the following day.