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Wednesday, 3 May, 1871.

Census Bill.

CENSUS BILL.

The Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill providing for the taking of a census. In doing so, he said that, in consequence of the many changes which had taken place, especially in the gold fields districts, and, generally, in the northern portions of the colony, it was highly necessary that a measure of the kind he now introduced should be passed. Many persons also, who had been resident in the country, had come to reside in the large towns in the southern districts; and hence it was not known where many of the population were located. That was another good reason why the Bill he now introduced should be passed into law. Besides that, it would be evident to honorable members that such a measure was absolutely necessary, in the prospect of there being an Additional Members Bill brought before the Legislature. Before such a measure could be practically brought into effect, it was necessary such a measure as the one he now moved to have read a second time, should, in the first instance, be passed into law.

The motion was agreed to.