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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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The PRESIDENT (HON. Sir Arthur Morgan) took the chair at half-past 3 o'clock.

ELECTIONS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.

FIRST READING.

On the motion of the SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (HON. A. H. Barlow), this Bill, which had been received by message from the Legislative Assembly, was read a first time.

PROPOSED SECOND READING.

The SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: I propose to move the second reading of this Bill to-morrow, after which the

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adjournment of the debate can be moved to any period that may be considered desirable. I move that the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Question put and passed.

DEATH OF HON. F. H. HOLBERTON.

The SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: I regret to announce to the Council the death of one of its members, Hon. F. H. Holberton, and I move that the Council adjourn as a mark of respect to his memory. I could have wished that the state of the business-paper had more accentuated this motion, but that is unavoidable. The respect is just the same. It was not my privilege to be intimately acquainted with the late hon. gentleman. During the time I have been here he has been kept away a great deal by sickness and the infirmities of old age, but I believe that in times past he contributed considerably to the debates of this Council and that he was an acute and able man of business. I am sure we regret the loss of the hon. gentleman, although he was certainly gathered in at the very ripe old age of nearly eighty-seven years. I therefore move that the Council do now adjourn as a mark of respect to the late Hon. Frederick Hurrell Holberton.

HON. A. J. THYNNE: I must express my regret at the loss of our friend, Mr. Holberton. He has been a good many years a member of this Council, and, although I do not think he ever took a very prominent part in our discussions, he certainly had a mind of great astuteness and capacity, and was able to judge pretty well the trend of measures that came before us for consideration. I think, on the whole, Mr. Holberton was what one might call a favourite among members of the Council, and I add my words of regret at the loss we have sustained by his death.

Question put and passed.

The Council adjourned at twenty-four minutes to 4 o'clock.