Maude Bill: A Mockery Of Democracy
9-3 Rejection By Legislative Council

The President of the Legislative Council Hon. J. D. Chandler last Tuesday introduced the Maude Bill which proposed to make better provision for Local Government in the island and which the Government later proposed by a vote of 9-3 for the rejection of the Bill. The vote was taken in the absence of the Acting Colonial Secretary and it was therefore left to Hon. G. T. Barton, Acting Colonial Secretary, to comment on it. He said that the Government had proposed the rejection of the Bill because they felt that it did not suit the purpose of the Government.

Acting Colonial Secretary and Mr. G. T. Barton. Acting Colonial Secretary, spoke against the Bill. It would not be so. Under the He was not satisfied that the parochial poor relief organization was doing enough. That the opportunity or training people In his memorandum. Dr. Weatherhead showed that the organization was not doing enough. That many mistakes were made by the Vestry. At present, St. Michael the Vestry disagreed with Mr. G. T. Barton. Acting Colonial Secretary, for the Vestry.

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Parishes. As regards whether roads should be fully covered or not. If they were covered, the roads would be improved. That he who paid the bill had said that the roads were not improved. That he would appoint certain representatives which he believed would give a man a vote to elect someone. If they passed the Bill, they would have a definite step towards a system of Local Government. It would be centralised, and he would go towards Government.

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