SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 14th day of August, 1888.

DISTRICT RAILWAYS PURCHASING ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. HISLOP, in Committee, to move the following new clause:-

The Property-tax Commissioner shall not collect any rates in respect of any of the said railways from any person chargeable under the principal Act, or the amendment Act, or this Act, with less than the sum of *two* pounds *ten* shillings in any year in respect of such railway.

THE CROWN AND NATIVE LANDS RATING ACTS REPEAL ACT.

Hon. Sir H. Atkinson, when in Committee on this Bill, to move the following amendments:—

In clause 2, to omit all the words after "eight."

In clause 3, to insert at the commencement "On the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety;" and before the word "are," in the last line of the clause, to insert "shall be and the same."

In clause 4, subsection (1.), after the word "been," to insert "or shall hereafter be." Subsection (2.), to strike out "of the commencement of this Act," and after the word "day," in the first line, to insert "when such repeal takes effect." Subsection (3.), after the word "given," in the first line, to insert "or which may be given." In the third line, to strike out the words "of the commencement of this Act," and insert after the word "day," in such line, "when such repeal takes effect;" and in the sixth line of the said subsection, to omit the words "have been," and insert the words "may be."

To omit clause 5 as printed, and insert the following new sub-

clause in clause 4:—

(4.) Affect the liability of Crown lands or Native lands to rates or to be exempted from rates, as the case may be, under any other Act or law in force at the date when such repeal takes effect.

Clause 6 as printed to stand as clause 5, and to insert the follow-

ing new clause:—

6. The amount of rates to be paid in respect of Crown lands to local bodies by the Colonial Treasurer under "The Crown and Native

Lands Rating Act, 1882,"—

(1.) For the year commencing on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, shall not exceed one half of the amount of rates certified by the Property-tax Commissioner under the said Act, to be lawfully payable for or in respect of such year; and

(2.) For the year commencing on the *first* day of *April*, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, and ending on the *thirty-first* day of *March*, one thousand eight hundred and *ninety*, shall not exceed one-fourth of the amount of rates certified as aforesaid to be lawfully payable for such

year; and

(3.) No sum exceeding two thousand pounds shall be paid under this Act in any year to any County Council in respect of rates on Crown lands payable to such Council under the said Act in such year.