SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 20th Day of August, 1903.

FIRE-PREVENTION BILL.

Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon, in Committee, to move the following new clause:-

UNITED FIRE DISTRICTS.

United fire

25A. (1.) The Governor may from time to time by Order in Council declare that any two or more fire districts forming a continuous area shall form one united fire district, with such name as is assigned thereto by such Order.

(2.) Such Order shall fix the number of the members of the Board of such united fire district, of which number one shall be appointed by the Governor and the remainder (in equal numbers) by the insurance companies and by the local authorities of the districts forming such united fire district.

(3.) Such Order shall also fix the date of the first election of members of the Board, and on that date the Boards of the fire districts so united shall cease to exist.

(4.) The united fire district so constituted shall be deemed to be a fire district within the meaning of this Act.