

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 23rd day of August, 1881.

NOTICES RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY.

ANIMALS PROTECTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. DICK, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause:—

Section thirty-two of the said Act shall be deemed to have been and shall be a sufficient authority to the Colonial Treasurer for the issue and payment of any fees in manner required by the said section to be handed to the Treasurer of any Acclimatization Society, without any further appropriation thereof respectively.

GISBORNE HARBOUR BOARD BILL.

Mr. MACDONALD, in Committee, to move the following amendments and new clauses:—

To add to interpretation clause, section 3:—

“Maori Committee” shall mean the Committee of twenty Native landowners, meeting at Gisborne, who shall have been selected as the Maori Committee in a public meeting of Native landowners, to be held from time to time for the purposes of such election, as the Native Minister may direct, and whose names shall have been gazetted by the Native Minister in the *Kahiti* and *Government Gazette*.

Amendment to clause 5, subsection (2.) Two members to be elected by the Cook County Council.

Subsection (3.) Two members to be elected by the Gisborne Borough Council.

Subsection (4.) Two members, who may be Maoris or Europeans, to be elected by the Maori Committee.

To insert the following new clauses:—

The Board may make agreements with any Native persons, with the consent of the Maori Committee, and may execute all deeds necessary to give effect to such agreements, whereby the Board may receive grants of Native lands by way of endowment upon any condition or conditions whatsoever: Provided that all deeds, purporting to convey lands by way of endowment, shall be certified by the Trust Commissioner appointed under, and, except as hereinafter mentioned, in manner provided by “The Native Lands Frauds Prevention Act, 1870,” having jurisdiction in the district of Poverty Bay, who shall first have satisfied himself that the Native owners have signed the deeds voluntarily, and that they have fully understood the full meaning and intent thereof, and that spirits shall not have been given to any of the owners to induce them to sign such deeds; but it shall not be necessary that any consideration shall be proved to have been given.

The parcel of land described in the *Second* Schedule to this Act shall vest in the Board, so soon as the Governor shall be satisfied, and shall have expressed such satisfaction by writing under his hand, that the Board has had conveyed to it in fee-simple an area of Native lands not being less than *twenty thousand* acres.

The parcel of land described in the *Second* Schedule to this Act is hereby temporarily reserved from sale, for harbour purposes: Provided that if the Board has not had conveyed to it an area, in one or more parcels, of *twenty thousand* acres of Native lands within two years from the coming into operation of this Act, the said parcel of land so described may be dealt with as ordinary Crown lands, notwithstanding such temporary reservation.